Application No. Not Yet Assigned Amendment dated December 29, 2005 First Preliminary Amendment

## **REMARKS**

The specification has been amended in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78 to make reference to the International Application from which this application originates and to incorporate by reference the Japanese priority application.

Claims 1-7 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 8-27 have been added, which find support in the original claims. No new matter has been added.

The Abstract has been amended to conform to U.S. practice. No new matter is added by this amendment.

The claim fee was calculated based on the amended claims above. Please examine the application in view of the amendment set forth above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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